

ARMY WAR ROOM JOURNAL

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NO.	DATE	TO	FROM	SUBJECT	REMARKS	REFERENCE
1	262025		CONARC	DA	DA IN 281548 - CONARC requested 8/2/52 Arty be air-lifted to CONUS ASAP upon release from "HOLECARD" mission.	Journal
2	262025Z		CG XVIII	CINCARLANT	DA IN 281446 - CG, XVIII Abn Corps advised CINCARLANT of posture to execute 5 or 7 day reaction to OPLAN 316.	Journal
3	270430Z		CONARC	CG FOURTH ARMY	DA IN 281541 - 1st Armd Div element in floating reserve, and the on call force, alerted to commence movement to Ft Stewart on 28 Oct and 2 Nov respectively.	Journal SITREP
4	271630Z		LC Burger	Col Brown, CONARC EOC	DA IN 281541 - Asked if Par 3c and d of DA IN 281541 related to elements of 1st Armd Div. Answer: "Yes"	DA 270600Z movement status rpt worded accordingly Journal
5		270600Z	DA WASH	JCS ET AL	(DA) - Movement report as of 270600Z Oct.	Journal
6	270815		CGCONARC	DCSOPS	Mtg from Gen Powell to Gen Parker in Pa Lenth of Air preparation for OPLAN 316-62. Gen Sweeney cannot commit himself to a set time frame- He opposes shortening the 7 day period between day and P-Day- Gen Powell Concurs. (DAIN281383)	Journal
7	270825				CHSS- Gen Wheeler visited the AMR. Reviewed Sitreps and briefed by Gen Carns. Discussed operations with Gen Parker. Briefed on Info activities. Departed 0820.	Journal
8	270930		CG Ft Hood	CGCONARC	Co A, 16th Engr Bn (Train 1, Increment 6) of TF "C" 1st Armd Div Departed Ft Hood 262045Z Oct. ETA Ft Stewart 262100Z Oct. (DAIN 281356)	Journal Movement Chart
9	270945		CINCLANT	JCS	CINCLANT Status Report #22 as of 270600Z. (DAIN281694)	Journal-Movement Chart
10	271035		USCINCEUR	JCS	CINCEUR SITREP as of 262400Z Oct (DAIN 281702)	Journal
11	271040		CINCLANT	JCS	CINCLANT Status Report 21 as of 262400Z Oct. (DAIN281628)	Journal
12	271045		JCS	DA	JCS SITREP 5-62 as of 270400Z. (JCS 134)	Journal

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13	271045	JCS	USCINCPAC	[REDACTED]	Journal
14	271050	CGCINAROC	CINCLANT	CGCINAROC Opn Summary as of 270900Z Oct. includes TF "C" 1st Armd Div Status & Movement of other units. (DAIN 281695)	SIG Events. PostTel. Movement Chart. Journal
15	271205	CGCINAROC	CG FOURTH ARMY	Move increments three and four of TF "C" 1st Armd Div to Ft Stewart ASAF. (DAIN 300014)	Journal-Movement Chart. Sig Events
16	271425	CINCLANT	JCS	CINCLANT Status Report Nr 23 as of 271200Z (DAIN)	Journal
17	271430	CGCINAROC	MULTIPLE ADDRESSES	Annex "M" (Surface Munt Sched) To STRAC Plan 316-62 is being changed. Pending issue of a new Annex "M" changes affecting principal units is furnished. (DAIN 281739)	Journal
18	271350	CGCINAROC	DA	DAIN 287801 In the event of implementation of either CINCLANT OPLAN 312 or 316-62, there exists the possibility of enemy reaction against Puerto Rico and islands of the Lesser Antilles. ASCP FY 61, Annex H, directs that CGUSCARIB be prepared to transfer or assigned responsibilities for ANTOCOM to CG US Army LANTCOM, when activated or to CG USCINAROC if directed. With your concurrence it is planned to forward the following recommendations to CINCLANT: ANTOCOM USARCARIB be transferred from CG USARCARIB to CINCLANT upon implementation of CINCLANT OPLAN 312. The President authorize the mobilization of NG and Reserve units in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands upon implementation of CINCLANT OPLAN 312.	Journal Sig Events Action passed to OPS (Col G)
19	271630	271630	AWR	General Parker	ACSI memorandum "Characteristics of US and Soviet Tanks", w/incl, forwarded to General Parker. Journal

20	27160	CONARC	Continental Armies	Principal units affected by issuance 66 new Annex M (Surface Mont Schd) are listed for planning purposes. See attached brief. DAIN 281739	Journal
21	271700	JCS	CINCLANT	SecDef has designated the following as the interception area for the quarantine of Cuba: Area within a radius of 500 nautical miles from Havana. Area within 500 nautical of eastern tip of Cuba. This applies only to interception of ships and does not preclude shadowing and surveillance outside the interception area. JCS 7050	Chart and Journal
22	271830	CGCONARC	OSUSA	CGCONARC rpts 22 M-41 tka sch for D-Day investigating avail 66 M-48 TF Charlie sch to close obj area by D+3. See attached brief.	Journal Sig Events
23	271845	JCS	Multiple Addressees	Suppl Sit Rep #10 At 1605 EDT Navy Flag Plot advised that a U-2 is missing on a mission to Cuba. Aircraft departed McCoy at 1000 EDT. Search is in progress no further details available. CINCLANT rpts "First 2 of 6 F8U-1P aircraft launched from Key West on 271941Z Blue Moon Track Nr 1 were fired upon. Pilot estimates 37mm Flak. Reported mission returned to base. Details later."	Journal Sig Events
24	271855	CGUSCONARC	DA	CG Third Army requests authority to position JDF FLAK forces at such time as to be properly dispersed to enforce the exclusion area when it is proclaimed. Approximately 4 days is required from order to move to close forces in the Florida Keys. CGUSCONARC concurs. CINCLANT has indicated agreement and has proposed that DA initiate action.	Journal
25	271800	DA	JCS	Movement Report as of 271800 Oct 62	Journal
26	272030	DA	USCONARC	In response to a Navy request, DA has requested that CONARC provide if feasible, 3 LCU's at Key West as follows. 1 - 23 October 2 - 3 November	Journal Significant events

27	272100	Gen Hutchins	AWR	Get ordinance opinion on project ACSI is now working on (effectiveness of Naplan on T-54 tanks) (Note: This requirement due from ACSI at 2000) L/C Connally DCSLOG will rept to WR. L/C Connally rpted to WR at 2110 and departed with requirement	Journal
28	272150	Maj Forrest CINFO	AWR	Sec Def has issued orders that 24 troop carrier squadrons w/supporting units, to include 6 aerial port squadrons, will be called to active duty. TOTAL 14,214 Pers	Significant events board Journal
29	272045	CINCLANT	JCS	Completion of movement tables from the 7-day response has determined that these additional battle groups cannot be airlanded on D-Day. These battle groups will begin arriving on D+2 and close C+3. Movement tables will designate Ft Lauderdale as outloading port for 3d & 4th increments of TF Charlie & will speed up the introduction of TF Charlie into the objective area by from 1 to 3 days: will also schedule arrival of the 3d increments of 2/69th Tk Bn from Savannah to the objective area on D-Day rather than D+3. Desire to reaffirm preference for 7-day version of 316 vice the 5-day version. Because of the displacement of staging bases from McCoy & McDill to Eglin & Tyndall since the decision to complete OPLAN 316 (7-day) a recomputation would be necessary for the 5 day version. 7-day planning is now complete. DA IN 281944	Journal
30	272220	CINCNORAD	JCS	It is requested that "B" Btry. 2d Bn, 52d Arty be made available immediately upon return to CONUS for deployment with the remainder of the battalion in the Miami/Homestead area. ARADCOM advises that one Arty group Headquarters is required in the Miami-Homestead area, and intends to request through service channels, the 13th Arty Group for that purpose. This headquarters concurs & requests JCS support in making a group headquarters available. DA IN 281687	Journal
31	272215	CGUSCONARC	JCS	CINCLANT has assigned the c de word [REDACTED] to this [REDACTED] this headquarters for communication & administration purposes. DA IN 281852	

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32	271830	CONARC	Chief & Staff DA	<p>Message contains Gen Powell's comments on a message from Gen Wheeler. Points covered include:</p> <p>The unloading facilities at the objective area can affect operations either favorably or unfavorably.</p> <p>22 M-41 tanks are now programmed to be in the Mariel area on D-Day. The lethal effectiveness of the latest 76mm ammo and the greater speed range of the M-41 present great advantage when compared with the M-48. However, I am still in doubt as to whether these factors outweigh the lighter armor of the M-41. I am looking into the availability of M-48 tanks. I will advise you of my decision.</p> <p>I have approved small changes to program the armor into Mariel on D-Day and to permit TF Charlie to close in objective area by D+3 in stead of D+6 as previously scheduled. Provision has also been made to bring in early on the Taurus much needed signal and medical units which will somewhat make up for any delay in the air landed echelon.</p> <p>As the 3rd and 4th increments of TF Charlie are now programmed to sail from Lauderdale, I am ordering these elements also to Ft. Stewart. DA IN 281821</p>
33	272400	DA	JCS	<p>Movement report as of 272400 Oct 62</p> <p>Journal</p>
34	272300		ZEX	<p>Gen Parker departed the War Room</p> <p>Journal</p>
35	272340			<p>Gen Rossen arrived the War Room</p> <p>Journal</p>
36	272247	CJTTF-8 (Rear)	USAF	<p>Request priority airlift for movement of B Btry, 2/52 Arty from Johnson Island to CONUS DA IN 281943</p> <p>SITREP Journal</p>
37	272247	DA	CONARC	<p>Msg to inform CONARC that DA has requested expeditions return of B Btry, 2/52 Arty. DA IN 920833</p> <p>SITREP Journal</p>
38	272345	CINCLANT	JCS	<p>CINCLANT advised JCS that XVIII Abn Corps has the ability now to air land three additional Battle Groups of Inf on D-Day. Completion of mvt tables for the 7-day response has determined that these 3 BG's cannot be air landed on D-Day. Also msg outlines other changes in the movement tables. DA IN 281944</p> <p>Journal</p>